

RETIREES & WANNABEES



2010

**These trips are by Beauport Transportation Company
16 passenger mini-bus**

Tuesday, March 23 – Museum of Fine Arts

Admission includes a guided tour of "The Secrets of Tomb 10A: Egypt 2000 BC."

Unlock the secrets of Tomb 10A and experience the afterlife as imagined by ancient Egyptians. Journey through the largest Middle Kingdom burial assemblage ever discovered to see painted coffins, models of daily life, and a mummified head. These prized possessions of the MFA's remarkable Egyptian collection are together for the first time in 4,000 years. Unlock the secrets of Tomb 10A and experience the afterlife as imagined. Lunch (on your own) at the Museum Café.

Leave at 8:30 am, return by 3:30pm.

\$50 per person (supporters)

\$55 (others)

Monday, April 5 - Seabrook Power Station and Red Hook Brewery

Self-guided 1 hour walking tour of *Seabrook Nuclear Power Stations "Energy Encounter" Exhibit* and, if the weather is nice, there is a ¾ mile nature trail to enjoy. A quick drive to Pease Air Force Base for lunch (on your own) at The Cataqua Public House, attached to the *Red Hook Brewery*. After lunch we will enjoy a tour (45 minutes) of the brewery including a guided walk through the brewery, some Redhook history and an explanation of just how they make their fine ales, and a sampling session with three to four samples of beer and a souvenir tasting glass.

Leave at 9am, return around 3pm

\$20 per person (supporters)

\$25 (others)

Wednesday, April 21 – "Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?" At the Amesbury Playhouse

This coming of age story involves the 1950s Catholic education of children, following them from the start of grade school through the senior prom and beyond, touching on such topics as first confessions, puppy love, patron saints, sex education classes, and more! A great musical comedy.

Complete dinner and show package includes transportation, the show, choice of soup or salad, your choice of Sliced Roast Beef, Sliced Pork Roast, or Chicken Parmesan, choice of potato or rice, vegetable of the day, dessert, coffee/tea/decaf.

Leave the Community House at 10:45 am, Return by 4pm

Register by April 1.

\$65 per person (supporters)

\$70 per person (others)

This trip is provided by Jodie's Place and is a full size deluxe motor coach with restroom.

Monday, May 3 – Daffodil Days at Blithewold Mansion, Bristol RI

Cooking demonstration and lunch included at Geppetto's "Upscale" Grilled Pizzeria, Federal Hill, Providence before arriving in Bristol. Your visit in the afternoon is to *Blithewold Mansion, Gardens and Arboretum*. This mansion is beautifully landscaped offering a historic public garden situated on Bristol Harbor with sweeping views overlooking Narragansett Bay. You will have a guided tour of the mansion and grounds featuring the nonstop beauty of thousands of Daffodils. You'll end the day with a *guided tour of Bristol* that will feature the waterfront area, downtown, Colt State Park and more.

Leave the Community House at 9:30am, return by 6:30pm.

\$68 per person (supporters)

\$75 per person (others)

We must have 35 for this trip to go.

Register by April 1.

Thursday, May 27 – The North End, Boston by Foot

The North End is a delightful labyrinth of narrow streets and exotic marketplaces. This 90-minute tour covers the history of America's oldest neighborhood from colonial days to the present, as well as the history of the city through waves of 19th century immigration. A gateway for immigrants from around the world, it is also home to the Old North Church and the Paul Revere House, the oldest extant building in Boston.

Lunch (on your own) at a North End restaurant to be determined at a later date.

Leave at 9am, Return by 4pm

\$40 per person (supporters)

\$45 per person (others)

Wednesday, June 2 – Boston Red Sox vs. Oakland

Did you know...?

- No player has ever hit a home run over the right-field roof at Fenway Park.
- The screen behind Fenway's home plate that protects fans and allows foul balls to roll back down onto the field was the first of its kind in the Major Leagues.
- The padding at the bottom of both left- and center-field walls at Fenway Park was installed after the 1975 World Series. In Game 6, Sox outfielder Fred Lynn crashed into the then-concrete wall in center trying to make a catch, and then lay on the field for several minutes.
- In 1945, a throw by Athletics outfielder Hal Peck hit a pigeon flying over Fenway Park. The ball then deflected to the A's second baseman, who tagged out Boston's Skeeter Newsome trying to stretch his hit into a double. The pigeon flew away, minus a few feathers but otherwise unharmed. Another pigeon was not so lucky in 1974. Willie Horton hit a foul ball into the air at Fenway Park, hitting a low-flying pigeon. The pigeon fell from the sky — dead — and landed in front of home plate.

Leave at 5:30 pm from the Community House. Return by 11:30pm.

\$65 per person (supporters)

\$70 per person (others)

Thursday, June 25 – Platypus Tour, Fuller Gardens, Hampton Beach Sand Sculptures

Platypus Tours - These fun, historic journeys around Hampton and Seabrook Beaches are fully narrated. Each tour covers land and sea and lasts approximately one hour. As the land portion of your tour begins, you will have the opportunity to view many of the historic home's and land marks that make up Hampton Beach. Your Captain will deliver an informative narration of "The Story of Hampton Beach: Past, Present, & Future"; and to the scenic Hampton-Seabrook estuary, a 'harbor' formed by the confluence of many "drowned" river mouths. And then...**Prepare for**

the SPLASHDOWN!!! We'll drive right into the water and give you a "Mariner's View" of things. This remarkable tidal estuary is still an active commercial area, and you will have a chance to learn some of the techniques used by commercial fishermen, and, depending on the tides, the remarkable ecological insight that only a tidal estuary of this size can provide. Bring a camera (and binoculars, if you have them) to capture your own memories. **Lunch (on your own) will be at Eastman's Bar and Grill** - the only restaurant truly situated on the water in the Seabrook/Hampton harbor. After lunch we'll head to *Fuller Gardens*, a Turn-of-the-Century Estate Garden located on the ocean featuring rose bushes of hundreds of varieties, formal English perennial borders, Japanese Garden and Conservatory. Last, but not least we'll make a stop at the beach to see the Sand Sculptures.

Leave the Community House at 9am, return by 4pm

\$40 per person (supporters)

\$45 per person (others)

Community House Speaker Series

October 2009 - May 2010, 10am

This series will feature prominent representatives from a number of different disciplines including local history, politics, science, animal behavior, sports figures of note, the arts and more ...

Tuesday, March 9, 2010

Topic: The Story of Tony Conigliaro

Tony Conigliaro was a local star, (born in Revere) of the Red Sox of the late 1960s. His story is a compelling one, having reached great success at an early age, then suffering a horrific injury at the peak of his popularity. This discussion will explore various stages of Tony Conigliaro's comeback, and how it follows the traditional "quest" in mythology, as studied by Dr. Joseph Campbell.

Anthony Guerriero is an Adjunct Faculty Member of Salem State College within the American History Department. He was the District Director and Senate Preservationist of Senate President, Thomas Birmingham and is an American specialist of the colonial era, revolutionary era, American presidency 20th century, and post civil war America.

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Topic: Hamilton's Whipple Family

As a direct descendent of Matthew Whipple, who arrived in Ipswich around 1638, Ray Whipple will present some interesting facts and stories about the Whipple family, along with their struggles and accomplishments in helping to establish the Town of Hamilton.

Ray Whipple is a former teacher and life long resident of Hamilton. He has compiled a fascinating account of the Whipple Family for publication, connecting his ancestry to some of the founders of our country.

Tuesday, May 11, 2010

Topic: Fiery Pool - The Maya and the Mythic Sea

Peabody Essex Museum's, George Schwartz, will speak on The Maya, one of PEM's visiting collections and special exhibitions. Over 90 objects, including many never before seen works offer a new interpretation of Maya culture based on the sea as a defining feature of the Maya spiritual realm and the inspiration for much of that culture's finest art. The ancient Maya viewed their world as inextricably tied to water. More than a daily necessity to sustain life, water was the vital medium from which the world emerged, gods arose, and ancestors communicated.

www.pem.org

George Schwartz, is Assistant Curator for Exhibitions and Research at the Peabody Essex Museum. He is one of their most sought after lecturers who has enjoyed numerous engagements within the museum and as invited Guest Speaker throughout the Boston area.

Friday, April 26, 2010

7:30 p.m.

\$18 per person for Seniors



Fiddlers, Fiddles & Fiddlemaker

This special subset performance includes ...

Kieran Jordan (...the great Irish step dancer) www.kieranjordan.com

Hanneke Cassel (...National Scottish fiddle champion) hannekecassel.com

Joyce Andersen (...a mighty fiddler and singer from Maine)

Bob Childs (...the fiddler and fiddle maker!) www.childsplay.org

and others ... www.childsplay.org

From humble dance halls to feature performances at The Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., before world music audiences in Sweden and public radio audiences throughout the United States, Childsplay has introduced many thousands to the delights of traditional Irish, French-Canadian, Cape Breton, Bluegrass, Appalachian, and Scandinavian fiddle music, as well as jazz, swing, and classical music. The level of musicianship in Childsplay is unsurpassed, with players ranging from members of the Boston Symphony to the leading virtuosos of these various fiddle traditions.

When playing together, Childsplay creates sounds that are vibrant, powerful, and eclectic . . . playful, innovative and driving, taking fiddle music beyond mesmerizing repetition into the realm of harmonies and counter rhythms— traditional fiddle sounds in the contemporary world. With a repertoire that ranges from the lilting beauty of Celtic jigs and airs to the driving rhythms of hoe-downs from the mountains of the southern United States to the smoky improvisations of jazz to new music written by a member of the group, a Childsplay concert will delight its listeners and show how versatility, virtuosity, and exuberance are indeed “childsplay,” something done competently and without effort.

Tying together these far-ranging stylists are their instruments; each member of the string section plays a violin or viola made by band member Bob Childs. In his workshop in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Bob produces instruments with a deep, sweet, and dark sound, whose quality has captured the interest of leading string performers throughout the United States and beyond.

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Spring 2010

EVENT	PRICE	DATE	# TICKETS	TOTAL
MFA	\$50 supporters \$55 others	Tuesday March 23		
Seabrook	\$20 supporters \$25 others	Monday April 5		
Amesbury Playhouse	\$65 supporters \$70 others	Wednesday April 21	Beef____ Pork____ Chicken__	
Daffodil Days	\$68 supporters \$75 others	Monday May 3		
North End	\$40 supporters \$45 others	Thursday May 27		
Red Sox	\$65 supporters \$70 others	Wednesday June 2		
Platypus Tour	\$40 supporters \$45 others	Thursday June 25		
			TOTAL	

Please send in your reservation form and payment, or drop by the Community House in person; the office is always open from 9 am to 1 pm, Monday through Friday. **Refunds will be given only in the event we are able to resell your ticket. Daffodil Days can be refunded with 7 days of departure notice without reselling your ticket.**

Name _____

Street _____

Town & Zip _____

Phone _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

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Plans for summer/fall include:

- **Museums of Old York, Maine with a step-on guide for a tour of York, York Harbor and York Beach**
- **Portland, Maine walking tour, museums, lunch**
- **New Bedford Whaling National Historic Park**
- **Pilgrim Belle Paddlewheelin out of Plymouth, MA – narrated tour, lunch, shopping at Village Landing Marketplace**
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Please let me know if you are interested in:

_____ **An evening BSO Rehearsal. Pre concert talks start at 6:30 and the performance starts at 7:30pm. We could also try to get a tour of Symphony Hall set up for late afternoon**

_____ **Spring Pops**

_____ **An afternoon at the Dunn Planetarium at Danvers High School (we would meet there)**

_____ **The ferry from Salem to Boston (we would meet at the ferry terminal in Salem) then on to the Aquarium/Old State House/Quincy Market or wherever**

_____ **More walking tours**

_____ **More Boat Tours**

_____ **Ferry to Provincetown (we would meet in Gloucester)**

_____ **Other** _____

